

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit: 2826

Examiner: Mr. Benjamin P. Sandvik

April 28, 2006

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Applicant	:	Kazutaka SHIBATA)
Serial No.	:	10/795,994)
Filed	:	March 10, 2004) <u>AMENDMENT</u>
For	:	SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME))))
Attorney Ref.	:	KAW 110D1)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action of December 2, 2005, the period for reply to which is being extended to expire on May 2, 2006 by a Petition filed concurrently herewith. Furthermore, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently.

A fee of \$\frac{1240}{}\] is being submitted concurrently. Should this remittance be accidentally missing, however, or should any additional fees be needed (including extension of time fees, since Applicant hereby provisionally petitions for any extensions that may be deemed necessary to avoid abandonment), the Director may charge such fees to our Deposit Account number 18-0002.

Please amend the above-identified application as specified on the following pages, and then reconsider the application in view of the Remarks that are presented thereafter.

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Please charge any further
fee to our Duposit Account
No. 18-0002